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OnlineProposalNo.: FP/AP/OTHERS/454129/2023Dated: 19/08/2025

To,
The Special Chief Secretary to the Government of Andhra Pradesh ,Environment, Forests, Science & Technology Department, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Room No.268, 1st Floor, 4th Block, Andhra Pradesh Secretariat, Velagapudi, Amaravati Guntur District-522503.
Subject: Proposal for diversion of 0.02 ha of forest land in Billagondipenta Chenchugudem Village, Compartment No.154, Markapur RF, Veerabadrapuram Beat, Y.Palem Range, Project Tiger Division, Markapur, Prakasam District for construction of 4G Telecom tower under 4G saturation Project in favour of DGM (Pig), M/s. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited, Gunturu.

Sir/Madam, I am directed to refer to the online proposal No.FP/AP/OTHERS/454129/2023 received on 14/12/2023 seeking prior approval in accordance with section' 2' of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980. The proposal was granted "In-Principle" (Stage-I) approval by the Central Government online on 06/03/2024. The Government of Andhra Pradesh have reported/submitted the complete compliance report on 14/08/2025 to the conditions stipulated in the "In-Principle" approval and requested for grant of final approval.
After careful consideration of the compliance report furnished by the Government of Andhra Pradesh online dated 14/08/2025, I am directed to convey the "Final approval" under section 2' of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 for the proposal for diversion of 0.02 ha of forest land in Billagondipenta Chenchugudem Village, Compartment No.154, Markapur RF, Veerabadrapuram Beat, Y.Palem Range, Project Tiger Division, Markapur, Prakasam District for construction of 4G Telecom tower under 4G saturation Project in favour of DGM (Pig), M/s. BSNL, subject to the following conditions:

1.General Conditions	
S.No	Conditions
1.1	Legal status of the diverted forest land shall remain unchanged
1.2	At the time of payment of the Net Present Value (NPV) at the then prevailing rate, the User Agency shall furnish an undertaking to pay the additional amount of NPV, if so determined, as per the final decision of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.
1.3	The period of diversion under this approval shall be co-terminus with the period of lease to be granted in favor of the user agency or the project life, whichever is less.
1.4	No additional or new paths will be constructed inside the forest area for transportation of construction materials for execution of the project work.
1.5	No labor camp shall be established on the forest land.
1.6	The User Agency shall provide fuels preferably alternate fuels to the laborers and the staff working at the site so as to avoid any damage and pressure on the nearby forest areas
1.7	The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than that specified in the proposal.
1.8	The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without the prior approval of the Central Government.
1.9	The forest land proposed to be diverted shall under no circumstances be transferred to any other agency, department or person without prior approval of the Central Government.
1.10	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
1.11	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.02 ha.
1.12	The State Government shall complete settlement of rights, in terms of the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006, if any, on the forest land to be diverted in accordance with the relevant guidelines issued by the MoEF&CC.
1.13	The concerned Divisional Forest Officer will monitor and take necessary mitigate measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forest in the surrounding area.
1.14	The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated Conditions to the State Government and Regional Office by the end of March every year.
1.15	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
1.16	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.


2.Standard Conditions	
S.No	Conditions
2.1	N/A

3.Specific Conditions	
S.No	Conditions
3.1	The State Government shall raise 100 saplings and maintain with the funds realized from user agency towards compensatory afforestation at the identified location.
3.2	The KML file of the forest area to be diverted and CA area shall be uploaded on the e-green watch portal with all requisite details and same shall be submitted along with GPS id.
3.3	The State Govt./User Agency shall ensure that the conditions stipulated by SC-NBWL is strictly complied with.
3.4	The User Agency has made payment Rs. 4,01,060/- towards CA and NPV (Rs.278,200/- towards CA, and Rs.1,22,860 /- towards NPV). The levies paid by the UA shall be utilized for the same as per the approved plan/scheme.
3.5	The User Agency shall provide CA in NFL area for compensatory afforestation in lieu of the forest area diverted, if applicable, based on the final outcome in the WP No.1164/2023, which is currently pending before the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. The State Forest Department shall ensure that an undertaking from the user agency is obtained in this regard.


Your's faithfully

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Assistant Inspector General of Forests (Central)



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1.10	No damage to the flora and fauna of the adjoining area shall be caused.
1.11	The total forest area utilized for the project shall not exceed 0.02 ha.
1.12	The concerned Divisional Forest Officer will monitor and take necessary mitigate measures to ensure that there is no adverse impact on the forest in the surrounding area.
1.13	The User Agency shall submit the annual self-compliance report in respect of the above stated conditions to the State Government and Regional Office by the end of March every year.
1.14	The user agency shall comply with all the provisions of the all Acts, Rules, Regulations, Guidelines, Hon'ble Court Order (s) and NGT Order (s) pertaining to this project, if any, for the time being in force, as applicable to the project.
1.15	Any other condition that the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change may stipulate from time to time in the interest of conservation, protection and development of Forest and Wildlife.
1.16	The conditions required to be adhered under the Forests Right Act, 2006 as per the rules/guidelines issued under Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 shall be strictly complied with.
1.17	Violation of any of these conditions will amount to violation of Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980 and action would be taken as prescribed under the Act, Rules and Guidelines relevant.

2.Standard Conditions	
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3.1	Compensatory afforestation for raising of 100 plants and maintenance shall be taken up by the State Government in the identified degraded forest land at the project cost.
3.2	The User Agency has made payment Rs. 4,21,867/- towards CA and NPV (Rs.278,200/- towards CA and Rs.1,43,667/- towards NPV). The levies paid by the UA shall be utilized for the same as per the approved plan/scheme.
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Pawan cautions people against falling prey to caste conspiracies

- Says attempts are being made on social media to sow discord between castes and religions, urging vigilance to avoid anger and confrontation that could achieve the provocateurs' goals
- Citing a recent Machilipatnam incident involving offensive language on a YouTube channel, Kalyan stresses on pursuing criminal cases under the law rather than conflict, and calls for complaints against those instigating such acts
- Orders an internal party investigation into the incident with notices to involved parties, and advocated countering malicious propaganda democratically and legally to preserve harmony



create unrest and insecurity through their deceitful tactics, for the past decade,” Kalyan said in a statement. “Do not fall into their trap, give in to anger, or allow for a confrontational atmosphere. If you show anger, the conspirators will achieve their desired outcomes.” Kalyan cited the recent

events in Machilipatnam as an example. He noted that a person on a YouTube channel used offensive language, and argued that the malicious intent behind preparing and promoting such a person must be identified. “We should proceed with criminal cases under the law,” he stated. “Rushing into another path and engaging in conflict will only complicate the problem. Provocative leaders will emerge and spoil the harmonious atmosphere among the people.” The Deputy Chief Minister called for legal action against those who spread division. He urged Jana Sena and coalition leaders to file complaints to ensure that those who provoke and speak offensively, whether on social

media or in other forms, are brought to justice under the Indian Justice Code. “Complaints must also be filed and cases registered against those who are behind them, systematically instigating these conspiracies,” he added. Kalyan also revealed that he has ordered an internal investigation by the party leadership into the Machilipatnam incident. He said notices would be served to those involved to seek an explanation. “The public must be vigilant against the party and its leaders who have a malicious nature and engage in conspiracies,” he said. “Let’s counter their malicious propaganda democratically and legally.”

HANS NEWS SERVICE
MANGALAGIRI

DEPUTY Chief Minister Pawan Kalyan on Saturday warned citizens against falling for conspiracies designed to create discord and animosity within the state.

He urged people in a statement here to remain vigilant against those who are sowing discord between different castes and religions, particularly through social media and YouTube channels. “We have seen the nature of these individuals, who

YSRCP’s med college plan will take 23 yrs to complete: Minister

Health minister Satya Kumar Yadav writes a letter to Jagan, in which he accuses the former CM of hypocrisy and failing to secure full admissions due to poor infrastructure in medical colleges



vide the intended 150 student admissions per college. The minister's remarks came in a detailed, six-page letter to the former chief minister, in which he accused him of hypocrisy and spreading misinformation regarding the new government's Public-Private Partnership (PPP) model for some of the colleges.

The minister said that while the previous government approved an estimated cost of Rs 8,480 crore for the 17 colleges,

it only spent Rs 1,450 crore over four years. He calculated that at this rate, it would take 23 years to complete the projects and a minimum of 16 years to finish construction. “Did you expect people to wait for 23 years, Jagan?” the Minister questioned. He noted that Jagan’s plan, which was supposed to start admissions for all 17 colleges by 2025-26, has been a complete failure. He accused Jagan Mohan Reddy of hypocrisy, recalling a news report in the former CM’s own newspaper on August 8, which stated that the previous government had introduced a self-financing model to provide high-quality medical education without financial constraints.

Yadav’s letter also addressed new National Medical Commission (NMC) regulations. He explained that while the previous government received approval for 150 seats in the first phase of five colleges, the Paderu college, which was supposed to get 150 seats for the 2024-25 academic year, was only granted 50 seats due to a lack of infrastructure. He blamed Jagan Mohan Reddy for the loss of 100 seats, as the previous administration was in power until June 2024 and was responsible for ensuring the necessary infrastructure was in place. “By your own admission in a press conference on September 10, even your prized Pulivendula Medical College has the

infrastructure for 50 seats,” the minister wrote, pointing out that Jagan had effectively conceded his own failure to build the necessary facilities for a full 150-seat capacity. Dismissing Jagan Mohan Reddy’s threats to cancel the PPP projects if he returns to power, Yadav stated that with just 11 seats in the recent elections, the former CM’s return to power is a “pipe dream.” “The PPP model is being adopted solely to expedite the completion of these 17 colleges that have been left in a dire state by the previous government,” the minister concluded. “This initiative is for the greater good, and spreading misinformation about it is highly inappropriate.”

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VIJAYAWADA

HEALTH minister Y Satya Kumar Yadav criticised YSRCP president Y S Jagan Mohan Reddy’s approach to constructing 17 new medical colleges, stating that at the previous government’s pace, it would take 23 years to complete them and pro-

Govt transfers 14 IPS officers across the state

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VIJAYAWADA

THE state government issues orders transferring and posting of 14 IPS officers effective immediately on Saturday. Chief secretary K Vijayanand issued GO No 1690 to this effect.

As per the order, Prakasam district SP A R Damodar has been transferred to Vizianagaram while Vizianagaram SP Vakul Jindal has been appointed as Guntur SP.

Annamayya district SP Vidhya Sagar Naidu has been relocated to the position of Krishna district SP and Dr BR Ambedkar Konaseema district SP B Krishna Rao has been reassigned to Palnadu district. Guntakal railway SP Rahul Meena has been designated as the new Dr BR Ambedkar Konaseema District SP.

Other notable transfers include Tirupati Urban SP V Harsha Vardhan Raju, who has been moved to Prakasam district SP. Additionally, Visakhapatnam DCP (L & O)

Ajitha Vajendla has been appointed as Nellore district SP, while Red Sanders Anti Smuggling Task Force, Tirupati SP L Subbarayudu has been appointed as Tirupati SP. Bapatla SP Tushar Dudi has been transferred and appointed as Chittoor district SP. Further, CID SP (admin) B Uma Maheswara Rao has been shifted to Bapatla, and Alluri Sitarama Raju district additional SP Dheeraj Kunubili has been transferred with a promotion to Annamayya district SP.

Intelligence SP Shelke Nachiketh Vishwanath has been posted as YSR Kadapa SP, Greyhounds Group Commander Suneel Sheoran has been reassigned as Nandyal district SP, and Guntur urban SP Sathish Kumar has been transferred and appointed as Sri Satya Sai district SP.

The GO indicated that posting orders for officers who have been transferred but have not yet received new assignments will be issued separately.

EASE OF DOING BUSINESS Need for industries–govt cooperation stressed

HANS NEWS SERVICE
TIRUPATI

INDUSTRIES and government must work together to place Andhra Pradesh among the leaders in Ease of Doing Business at the global level, said industries department principal secretary Dr N Yuvaraj. Addressing industrialists virtually at a regional awareness conference here on Saturday, Dr Yuvaraj stressed on simplifying systems, online facilities, and trust-based policies to achieve double-digit growth. He recalled that Andhra Pradesh has introduced initiatives like the Single Window System, Mee Seva centres, and Guarantee Act but noted that further improvement is required. “We must benchmark our state with global leaders like Singapore and European nations,” he said.

Calling for industry associations such as CII and SMEs to provide clear suggestions, he assured government support including grants for common testing and processing facilities. He also underlined that MSMEs, particularly micro and small units, need assistance to meet quality standards. “India is destined to emerge as the world’s top three economy by 2025 and move into the top two within the next 10–15 years,” he said. District collector Dr S Venkateswar, who attended the event, said industrial development is a top state priority and pledged speedy



Industries department principal secretary Dr N Yuvaraj virtually addressing a regional awareness meet of industrialists in Tirupati on Saturday. District collector Dr S Venkateswar and others are also present

redressal of investor issues through an online grievance platform.

He announced a special meeting for solving issues at Gajulamandyam IT Park and promised action on local civic infrastructure. Stating that industries contribute nearly 45 per cent to Tirupati district’s GDDP, the collector said the government, guided by the Chief Minister, is moving from Ease of Doing Business towards Speed of Doing Business.

Highlighting the district’s potential, he pointed to successful hubs like Sri City, Naidupeta, Krishnapatnam, and Routhumala Industrial Park, boosted by strong road, rail, port, and airport connectivity. APIIC zonal manager Vijay Bharat Reddy, officials, and industrialists were present.

TTD EO calls for adoption of modern tech

Inspects Common Command Control Centre, instructs officials to implement facial recognition technology for real-time identification of individuals and monitoring of incidents

HANS NEWS SERVICE
TIRUMALA

THE TTD executive officer Anil Kumar Singhal carried out surprise inspections at various areas in Tirumala on Saturday morning.

He first inspected the Common Command Control Centre and directed the officials concerned to utilize advanced technology to provide better services to devotees.

He instructed that new software and modern technology should be adopted in line with rapidly changing advancements.

The EO emphasized the need to strengthen the process of tracing missing persons in Tirumala by making it faster and more effective and suggested enhancing the capacity of the Common Command Control Centre by deploying staff in such a way

that every inch of Tirumala can be monitored.

He instructed officials to implement facial recognition technology for real-time identification of individuals and monitoring of incidents. On this occasion, the EO also discussed with L&T staff the effective use of technology.

Later, the EO inspected the luggage centres and interacted with the devotees. He enquired them about the time taken between receiving the darshan tokens and completing darshan. The devotees expressed satisfaction with the services being provided by TTD to them. Subsequently, he visited Vaikuntham Queue Complex-2 and reviewed the facilities offered to devotees.



TTD EO Anil Kumar Singhal interacts with devotees at Vaikuntham Queue Complex-2

tees. On this occasion, he interacted with Srivari Sevaks from Srikakulam, Nanded in Maharashtra and appreciated their services to devotees.

The EO also instructed the Chief PRO Dr R Ravi to provide enhanced training

to Srivari Sevaks so that they can extend better services to the scores of devotees.

CVSO Muralikrishna and heads of departments and other officials accompanied the EO during these inspections.